

Mr. Maulsby submitted the following amendment:

Add at the end of section 14 the following:

"Five of the said judges shall be at all times in attendance on the sessions of the Court of Appeals, and it shall be the duty of all said chief judges to meet at the city of Annapolis within ten days after their election and qualification, and adopt such rules as may be requisite to secure the attendance of five of their number as aforesaid, and such rotation that each of said judges shall sit in the said court at least every second year, and the said chief judges, not sitting in the Court of Appeals, shall discharge their duties in the circuits, and the Court of Appeals, when in session, or any judge thereof when said court is not in session, may, in case of the disqualification of any or all of the judges of any circuit, to sit in any case, or of inability from sickness of any or all the judges of any circuit, or on other occasion arising, in its discretion, assign any of said chief judges, not sitting in the Court of Appeals, to sit in any circuit other than that in and for which they may have been elected, and may also, on any one or more of said judges sitting in the Court of Appeals at any session thereof becoming disabled by sickness or other cause, select any of the said judges not sitting in said court to attend the session thereof; and it shall be the duty of the said chief judge, immediately on being notified, to attend the session of the said Court of Appeals, and to continue to sit therein until the removal of the disability aforesaid. The rules which may be adopted by the said chief judges to secure the aforesaid results, shall be subject to modification and change by the General Assembly.

Mr. Maulsby advocated his amendment as being necessary to perfect the system.

Mr. Merrick said all these details should be left to the Legislature, and it was not to be supposed that the attendance of the judges was to be compelled by constitutional provision. It was to be hoped that the high-toned integrity of the judges themselves would be sufficient to induce them to attend to their duties.

Mr. Archer opposed the amendment, and said that it only tended further to convince him, if such was neces-